

## MAYOR'S REPORT TO COUNCIL

September 26, 2019

Special thanks to our Administration, Police, Fire and Service and all who attended a successful Touch A Truck on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

Civil Service Commission has completed the administration of the Police and Fire Exams. Forty-three applicants took the test and we hope to be notified of the results very soon.

We received notification this week that a SCBA grant written by Firefighter Bob Vencel for breathing apparatus for our fire department was approved for \$146,666. There is a 5% match for the city on this grant and we will be able to purchase 22 units. We will be asking Council at the next meeting to make a motion to allow them to go out to bid for this equipment. Congratulations to Firefighter Vencel and Chief Gandee on this achievement.

Brush pile drop off is winding down and Road Superintendent Grubiss has assigned Saturday, November 2, as the final day for brush drop off. Signs will be posted to reflect this date.

The League of Women Voters presented a nice forum for our Mayor and Council candidates, as well as Library and Lake Tran officials. We appreciate their help in making this available to our residents.

This week I completed a letter of support for the Chagrin River Watershed Partners proposal to the Cleveland Foundation for the Chagrin River Corridor & Lakefront Trail Connection Plan. I hope this support will lead to some good things in the way of walking and bike paths in the City of Willoughby Hills in the future. Chagrin River Watershed Partners will be looking for some financial support in the future for this endeavor.

I am happy to report that a new business called Impact Nutrition will be locating to 2804 SOM Center, Suite #5. They recently applied for a zoning certificate to move in to the space formerly occupied by the "Hangout" Game Room.

Get well wishes to former City Hall employee and electrical contractor Mike Santilli as he undergoes medical treatment at Hillcrest Hospital.

Sympathy to Finance Director Brichacek and his family on the passing of his nephew and Service Department employee Bob Moore on the loss of his brother in law. Residents who recently passed away include Kevin O'Connor and Rosemary White and our thoughts and prayers remain with their families.

In closing, I will announce the following upcoming Events:

Classic/Cleveland Clinic and WH 5K Run and Walk for Wellness – Sunday, October 6, registration at 8am. This is a pet friendly event and we encourage everyone to come and enjoy a walk or jog through Willoughby Hills.

Craft Show – Saturday, October 12 from 9 to 3pm

Halloween Party – Friday, October 18 from 6 to 8:30 pm

Next: I will present Finance Director Brichacek's report since he is attending his nephew's funeral tonight....